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The Washington Trust For Historic Preservation 1204 Minor Avenue Seattle, WA 98101

Dear Sirs/Mesdames,

## Re: Amtrak Stop in Blaine, Washington

At the Surrey, BC, Regular Council meeting of Monday, February 20, 2012, a discussion with regard to the work toward an Amtrak stop proposed for Blaine, WA, by the City of Blaine, WA, was supported. As a result, Council passed the following resolution RES.R12-490:

## "That Council:

- 1. Send a letter to the State of Washington and the Burlington Northern Santa Fe (BNSF) Railway endorsing an Amtrak stop in Blaine, Washington outlining the significant economic and environmental benefits a commuter rail station would bring to residents of Surrey and recommending the preservation / restoration of the 100 year-old Blaine train depot.
- 2. Send a letter to the Washington Trust for Historic Preservation recommending the 100-year-old Blaine train depot be included on the Washington Trust for Historic Preservation list of most endangered historic properties."

In accordance with the above resolution, the City of Surrey respectfully recommends that the 100 year-old Blaine train depot be included in the Washington Trust for Historic Preservation list of most endangered historic properties.

Yours sincerely,

Dianne L. Watts

Mayor

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cc: Harry Robinson, Mayor-at-Large, City of Blaine

City Council, City of Blaine

Gary Tomsic, City Manager, City of Blaine